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MY NAME IS
PETER PARKER,
AND I'VE BEEN
SPIDER-MAN SINCE
I WAS FIFTEEN
YEARS OLD.

For years, I wondered what
would happen if I ever said
those words out loud,
for the whole world to hear.

Now, at the urging of Tony Stark,
and to show my support for
the Superhuman Registration Act,
I've done just that. And as
I stand before a stunned press
corps, I wonder--

Now what?

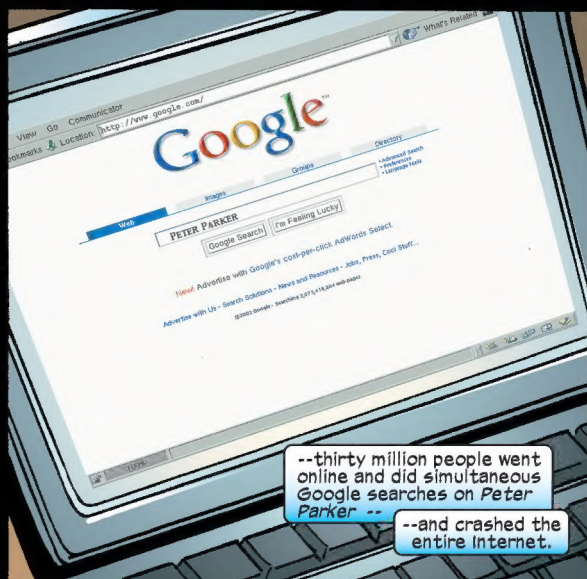
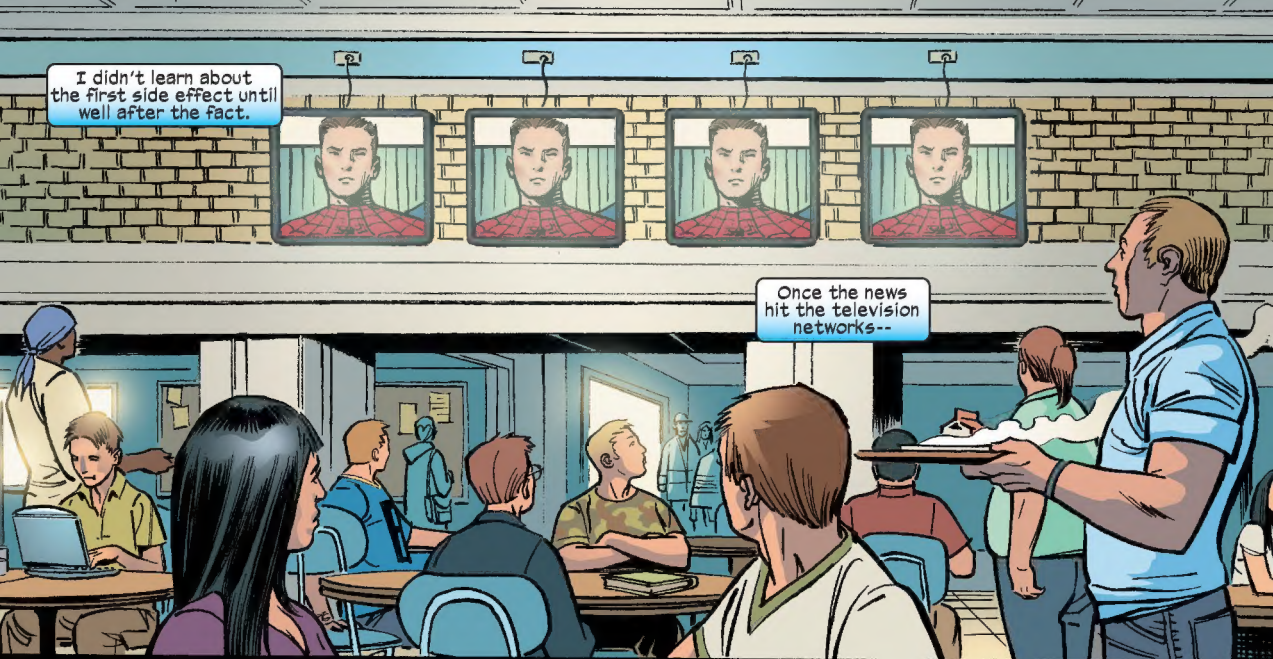


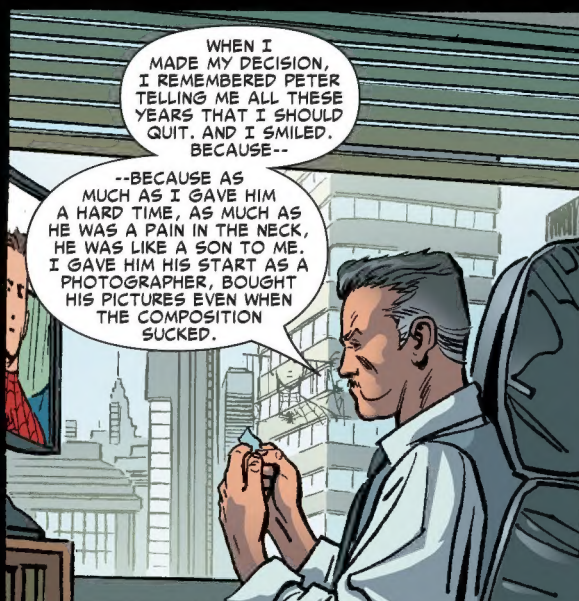
The Night the War Came Home

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TELL ME
YOU DIDN'T
KNOW.

JJ--

TELL ME.
YOU DIDN'T
KNOW.



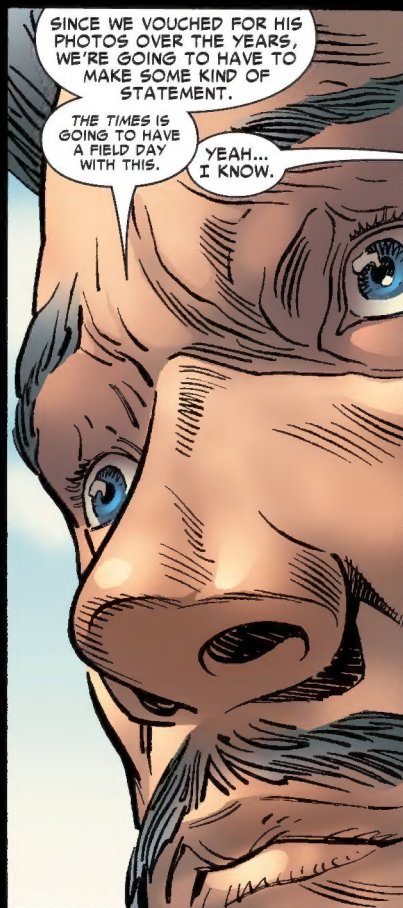
I-- I DIDN'T
KNOW, JJ.
NOBODY
DID.

AND I
DON'T THINK
HE WAS LAUGHING
ABOUT IT, JJ. THIS
WAS PROBABLY
REALLY HARD FOR
HIM TO--

DON'T.



JUST...
DON'T.



SINCE WE VOUCHED FOR HIS
PHOTOS OVER THE YEARS,
WE'RE GOING TO HAVE TO
MAKE SOME KIND OF
STATEMENT.

THE TIMES IS
GOING TO HAVE
A FIELD DAY
WITH THIS.

YEAH...
I KNOW.



THERE'S AN OLD SAYING. ENEMIES
CAN KILL YOU, BUT ONLY YOUR
FRIENDS CAN HURT YOU. SPIDER-
MAN WAS A THORN IN MY SIDE. HE
TICKED ME OFF, EMBARRASSED
ME, INFURIATED ME...

...BUT IT'S
PETER WHO HAS
FINALLY SUCCEEDED
IN HURTING ME.



AND THERE
IS A PRICE FOR
THAT, ROBBIE.

THERE IS
ONE HELL OF
A PRICE FOR
THAT.

"YOU
DID THE RIGHT
THING, PETER."



IT WASN'T THE EASY THING TO DO, BUT IT WAS THE RIGHT THING TO DO.

I'VE NEVER SEEN THE WASHINGTON PRESS CORPS STUNNED LIKE THAT BEFORE. DID YOU SEE THE LOOK ON THEIR FACES WHEN YOU TOLD THEM YOUR REAL NAME?

HURRCCHH

HURRCCHH



YOU OKAY, PETER?

NOT POSSIBLE.

I THINK...I JUST WOOFED UP... A HOT DOG...THAT I ATE WHEN I WAS TWELVE.

NO? THERE'S STILL SOME OF IT ON MY SHOES. WANNA SEE?



FOR WHAT IT'S WORTH, PETER, I KNOW EXACTLY WHAT YOU'RE GOING THROUGH. I WENT THROUGH THE SAME THING WHEN I WENT PUBLIC FOR THE FIRST TIME AND--

NO, TONY, YOU DON'T KNOW WHAT IT'S LIKE.



YOU DON'T KNOW BECAUSE YOU'VE NEVER HAD A FAMILY TO WORRY ABOUT. YOU DON'T HAVE MJ AND AUNT MAY TO--

EVERY DAY OF MY LIFE SINCE I WAS FIFTEEN YEARS OLD I'VE LIVED IN ABSOLUTE TERROR OF JUST THIS MOMENT.



I'M SORRY, PETER. YOU'RE RIGHT. I DON'T KNOW. I DON'T HAVE A FAMILY. YOU DO, AND YOU'VE ALWAYS HONORED THEM AND--

TONY?

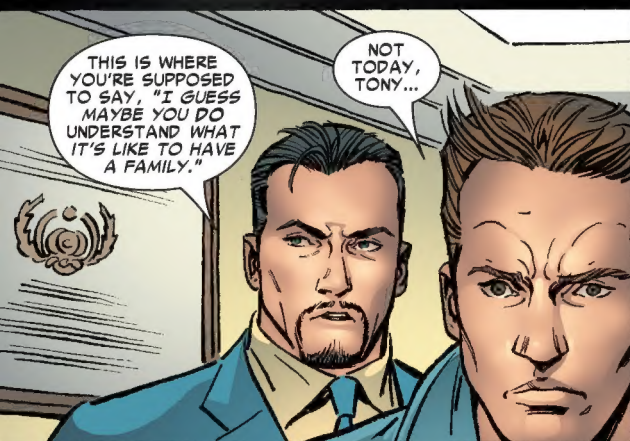
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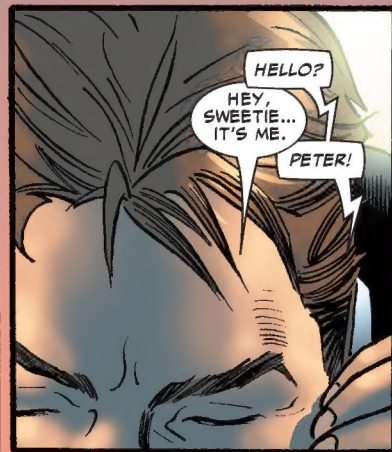


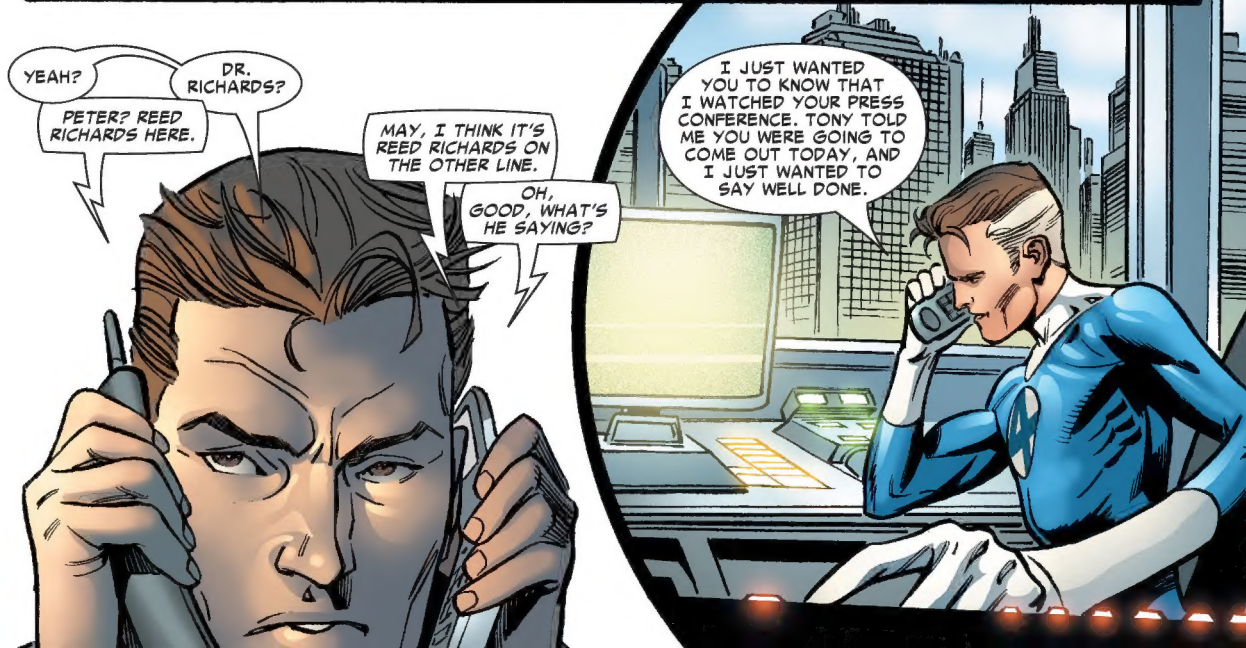
YOU DIDN'T HAVE A FAMILY UNTIL RIGHT NOW. IF THIS GOES WRONG, IF I END UP REGRETTING THIS, IF ANYTHING HAPPENS TO ME--

--I WANT YOUR WORD THAT YOU'LL TAKE CARE OF MJ AND MAY.

OF COURSE. YOU HAVE NOTHING TO WORRY ABOUT.









AS SOMEONE WHO'S BEEN GRACED WITH POWERS, AND WHO'S LIVED MOST OF HIS ADULT LIFE IN THE PUBLIC EYE, I KNOW WHAT YOU'RE FEELING.

YEAH, I'M GETTING A LOT OF THAT TODAY.

HE SAYS HE KNOWS WHAT I'M FEELING.

NOTHING COULD REQUIRE MORE COURAGE, AND YOU'RE VERY MUCH TO BE COMMENDED. I WANT YOU TO KNOW THAT IF THERE'S ANYTHING I CAN DO, PLEASE DON'T HESITATE TO ASK.



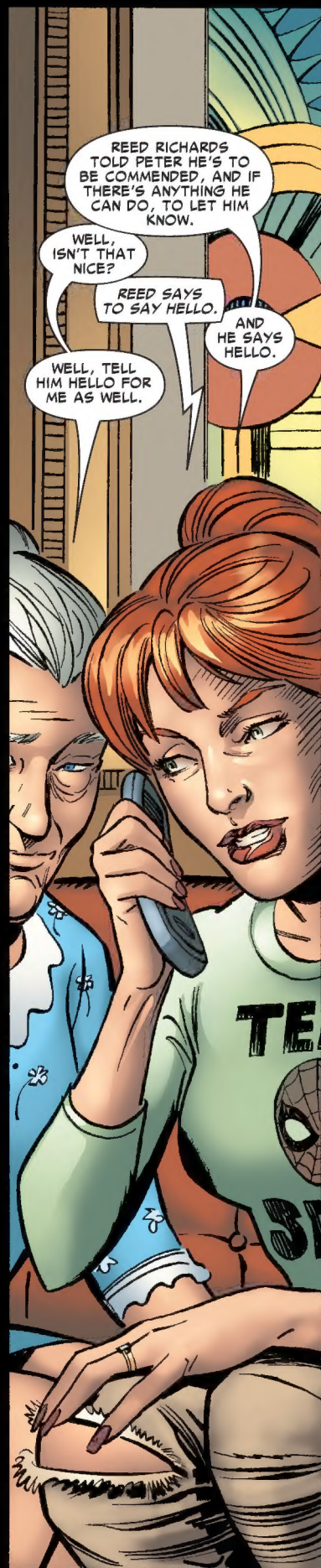
I WON'T.

HE SAYS I'M TO BE COMMENDED.

OH, THAT'S SO SWEET.

PETER...?

IT'S MJ, SHE'S ON THE OTHER LINE.



REED RICHARDS TOLD PETER HE'S TO BE COMMENDED, AND IF THERE'S ANYTHING HE CAN DO, TO LET HIM KNOW.

WELL, ISN'T THAT NICE?

REED SAYS TO SAY HELLO.

AND HE SAYS HELLO.

WELL, TELL HIM HELLO FOR ME AS WELL.



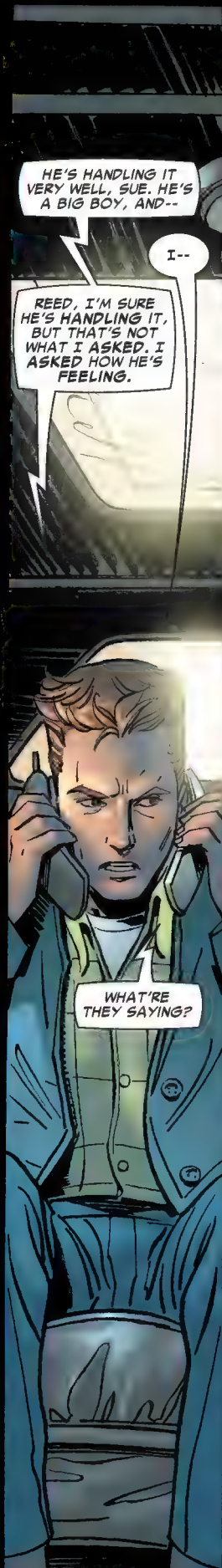
REED?

MY AUNT
SAYS HELLO.

PETER?
IS THAT
YOU?

OH,
SORRY,
SUE, I--

NO, IT'S
ALL RIGHT. I
WAS GOING TO
CALL TO MAKE
SURE YOU'RE ALL
RIGHT. HOW ARE
YOU HOLDING UP
AFTER THE BIG
REVELATION?



HE'S HANDLING IT
VERY WELL, SUE. HE'S
A BIG BOY, AND--

I--

REED, I'M SURE
HE'S HANDLING IT,
BUT THAT'S NOT
WHAT I ASKED. I
ASKED HOW HE'S
FEELING.



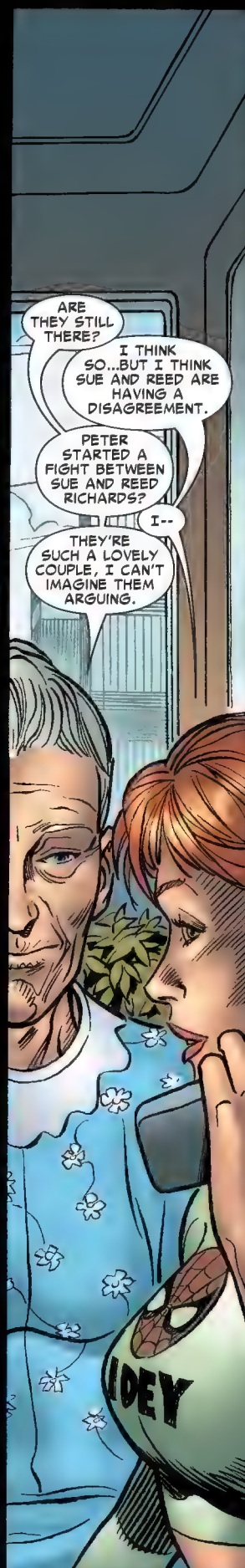
SUE,
HONEY --

DON'T "SUE,
HONEY" ME,
HE'S GOING
THROUGH
A TERRIBLE
EXPERIENCE--

I'M NOT
ARGUING.

YES,
YOU ARE.

PETER,
ARE YOU STILL
THERE?



ARE
THEY STILL
THERE?

I THINK
SO...BUT I THINK
SUE AND REED ARE
HAVING A
DISAGREEMENT.

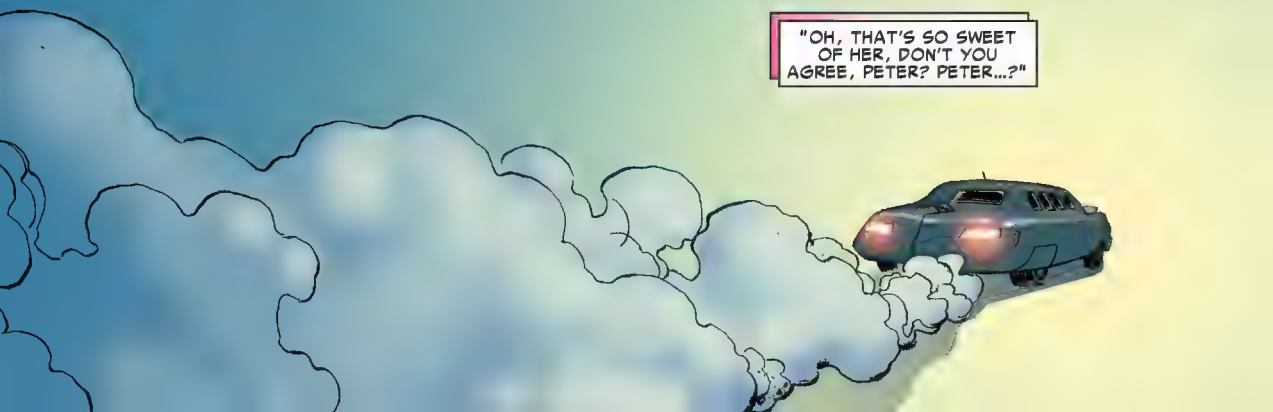
PETER
STARTED A
FIGHT BETWEEN
SUE AND REED
RICHARDS?

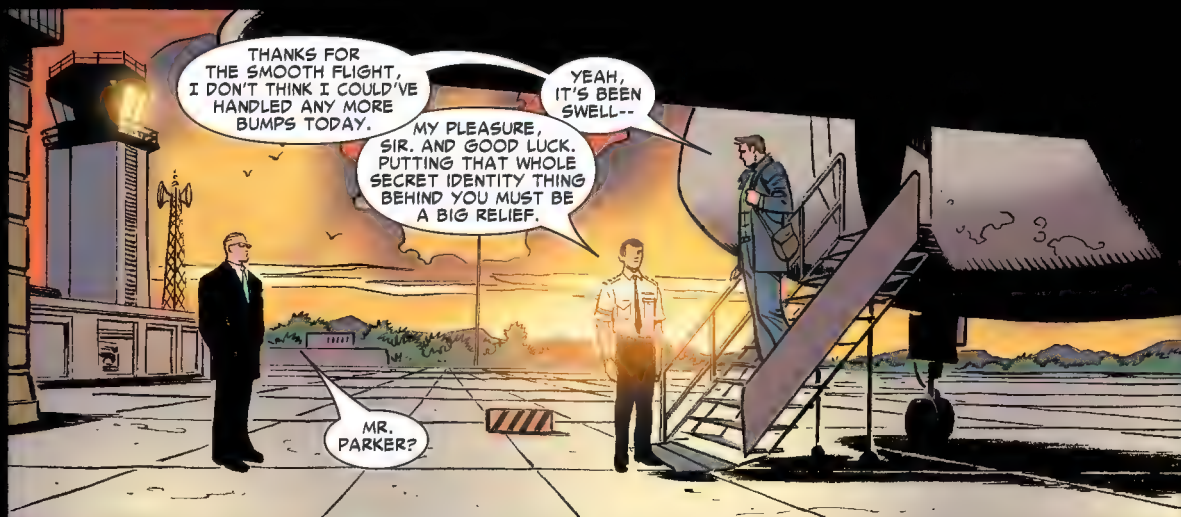
I--

THEY'RE
SUCH A LOVELY
COUPLE, I CAN'T
IMAGINE THEM
ARGUING.



"OH, THAT'S SO SWEET OF HER, DON'T YOU AGREE, PETER? PETER...?"





SO YOU'RE SAYING THEY WANT THE MONEY BACK FOR MY PICTURES?





MR. PARKER!

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OVER HERE, MR. PARKER!

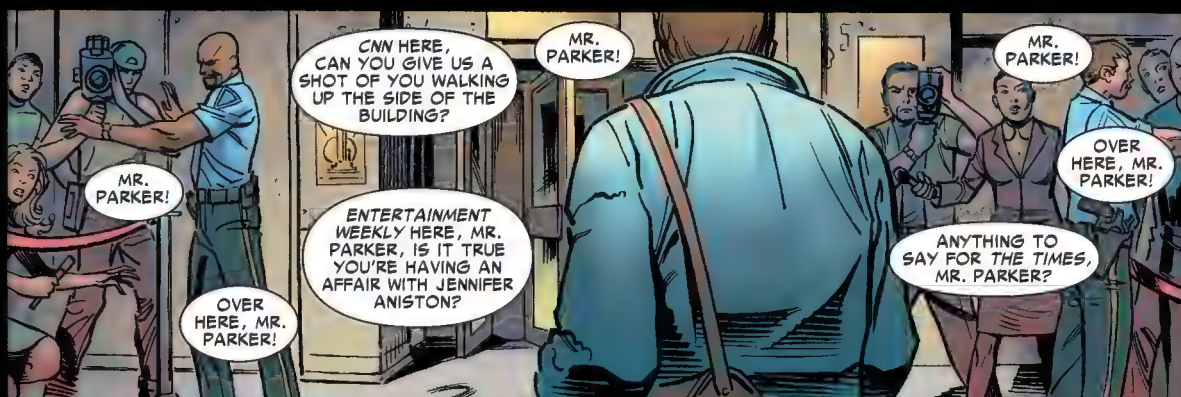
ABC NEWS, PETER, CAN YOU GIVE US A FEW COMMENTS?

MR. PARKER!

OVER HERE, MR. PARKER!

OVER HERE, MR. PARKER!

PETER, CAN YOU LOOK THIS WAY?



MR. PARKER!

CNN HERE, CAN YOU GIVE US A SHOT OF YOU WALKING UP THE SIDE OF THE BUILDING?

MR. PARKER!

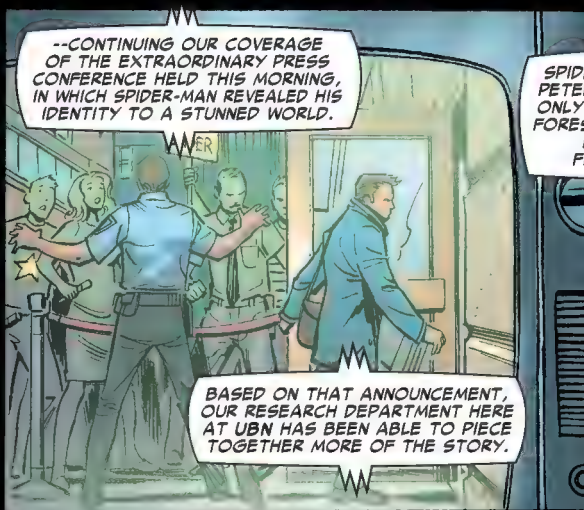
MR. PARKER!

OVER HERE, MR. PARKER!

OVER HERE, MR. PARKER!

ENTERTAINMENT WEEKLY HERE, MR. PARKER, IS IT TRUE YOU'RE HAVING AN AFFAIR WITH JENNIFER ANISTON?

ANYTHING TO SAY FOR THE TIMES, MR. PARKER?



--CONTINUING OUR COVERAGE OF THE EXTRAORDINARY PRESS CONFERENCE HELD THIS MORNING, IN WHICH SPIDER-MAN REVEALED HIS IDENTITY TO A STUNNED WORLD.

BASED ON THAT ANNOUNCEMENT, OUR RESEARCH DEPARTMENT HERE AT UBN HAS BEEN ABLE TO PIECE TOGETHER MORE OF THE STORY.



SPIDER-MAN'S FULL NAME IS PETER BENJAMIN PARKER. AN ONLY CHILD, HE WAS BORN IN FOREST HILLS, NEW YORK, TO RICHARD AND MARY FITZPATRICK PARKER.

PARKER...?

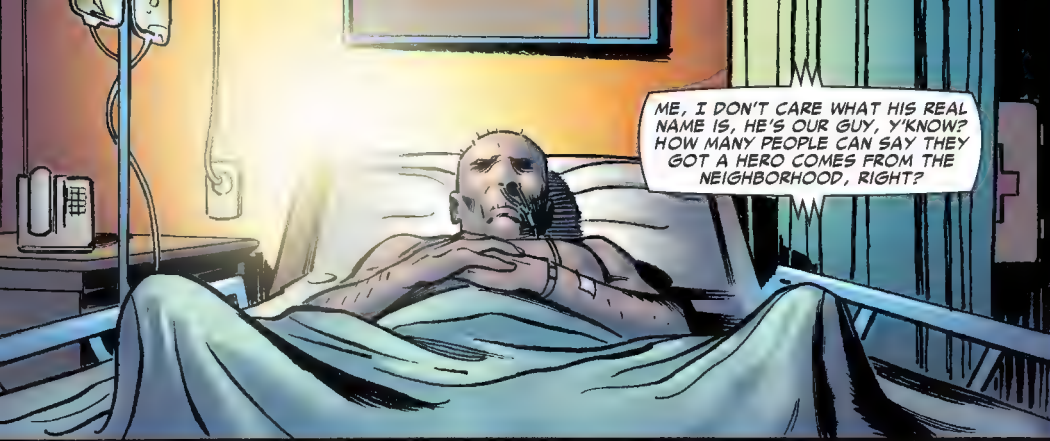
PUNY PARKER IS SPIDER-MAN?

NO WAY.

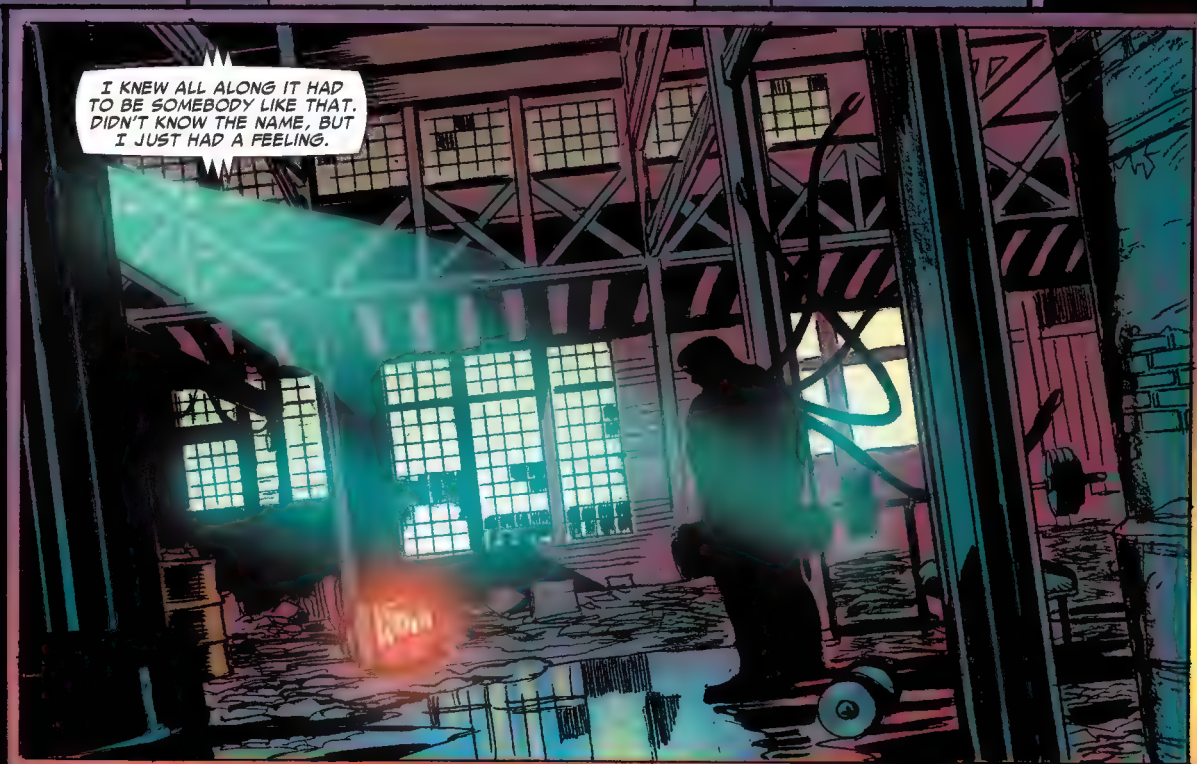


GIVEN HIS UNIQUE PLACE AS A NEW YORKER, WE SENT OUR CAMERA CREWS OUT TO GET REACTIONS TO THIS EVENT FROM TYPICAL NEW YORKERS ALL AROUND TOWN.

IT'S GOTTA BE SOME KIND OF TRICK. SPIDEY'S JUST TRYIN' TO FOOL ONE OF HIS ENEMIES. BUT EVEN THEY'RE NOT DUMB ENOUGH TO FALL FOR THIS.



BROCK, EDWIN



I THINK IT WAS VERY BRAVE OF HIM TO DO THIS, TO DO THE RIGHT THING LIKE THIS.

I JUST HOPE IT DOESN'T CAUSE HIM ANY PROBLEMS.



THAT IS THE QUESTION MANY
PEOPLE ARE WONDERING
TONIGHT: WHAT CONSEQUENCES
WILL FOLLOW IN THE WAKE OF
TODAY'S REVELATION--





--AND WHAT WILL THE OTHER
HEROES, FACED WITH THEIR
OWN DECISIONS IN THE WAKE
OF THE REGISTRATION ACT,
MAKE OF HIS ACTIONS?

FOR PETER BENJAMIN PARKER, A.K.A. SPIDER-MAN, THERE WILL BE NO FURTHER COMMENTS TONIGHT. WE ARE TOLD HE IS SPENDING THE EVENING WITH HIS FAMILY--

--WHERE HIS DRAMATIC DECISION TODAY WILL DOUBTLESS BE TOPIC NUMBER ONE.

YOU'RE SHAKING.

I KNOW. MUST BE A DRAFT IN HERE.

UH-HUH.

YOU DID THE RIGHT THING. I'M PROUD OF YOU.

I HOPE SO, MJ...GOD, I HOPE SO.

PETER? MARY JANE?

YOU SHOULD TAKE A LOOK AT WHAT'S ON THE TV.

WITH ALL DUE RESPECT, AUNT MAY, I'VE SEEN MORE OF MY FACE THAN I EVER WANT TO--

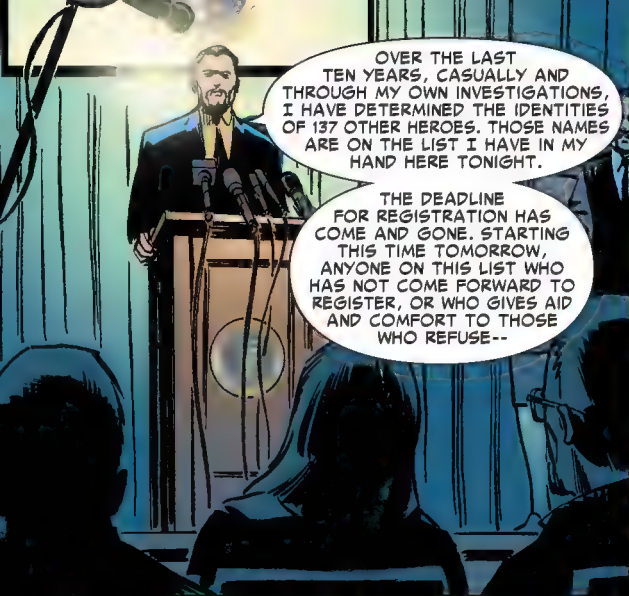
IT'S NOT YOU, PETER--

--IT'S MR. STARK."

--COMMEND THOSE WHO HAVE COME FORTH TO COOPERATE WITH THE GOVERNMENT IN REGARD TO THEIR PRIVATE IDENTITIES.

LIVE

BUT MANY HAVE MADE CLEAR THEIR DECISION NOT TO COOPERATE. IT IS TO THIS GROUP THAT I WANT TO ADDRESS MY COMMENTS.



OVER THE LAST TEN YEARS, CASUALLY AND THROUGH MY OWN INVESTIGATIONS, I HAVE DETERMINED THE IDENTITIES OF 137 OTHER HEROES. THOSE NAMES ARE ON THE LIST I HAVE IN MY HAND HERE TONIGHT.

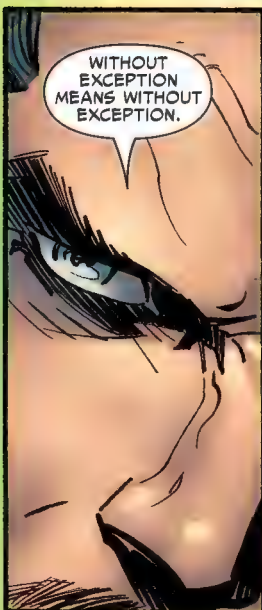
THE DEADLINE FOR REGISTRATION HAS COME AND GONE. STARTING THIS TIME TOMORROW, ANYONE ON THIS LIST WHO HAS NOT COME FORWARD TO REGISTER, OR WHO GIVES AID AND COMFORT TO THOSE WHO REFUSE--



--WILL BE HUNTED DOWN, ARRESTED AND IMPRISONED, WITHOUT EXCEPTION.



WHAT ABOUT CAPTAIN AMERICA? HIS IDENTITY IS KNOWN, BUT WORD IS HE'S HELPING HEROES WHO WON'T REGISTER.



WITHOUT EXCEPTION MEANS WITHOUT EXCEPTION.



HOW DO YOU INTEND TO APPREHEND THESE INDIVIDUALS?

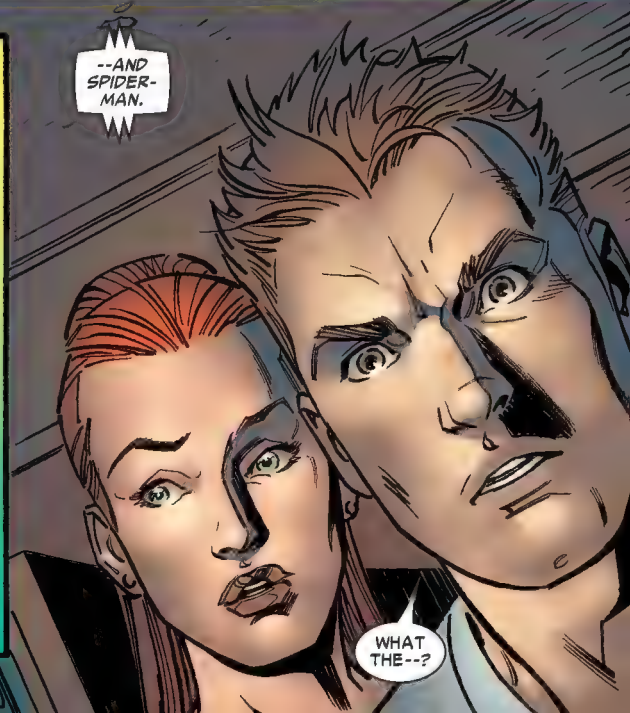


WE WILL USE WHATEVER MEANS ARE NECESSARY.



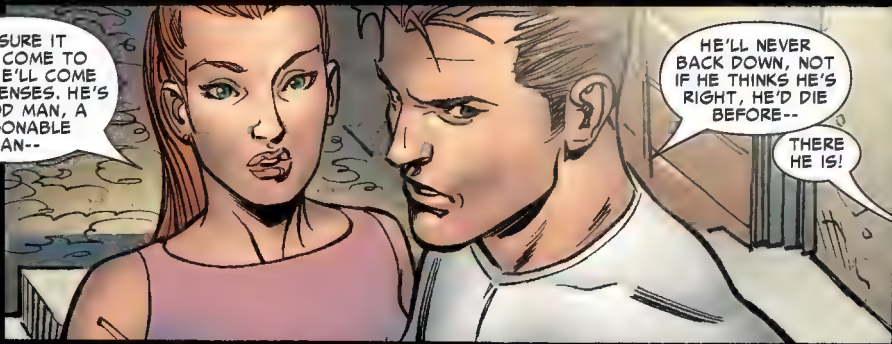
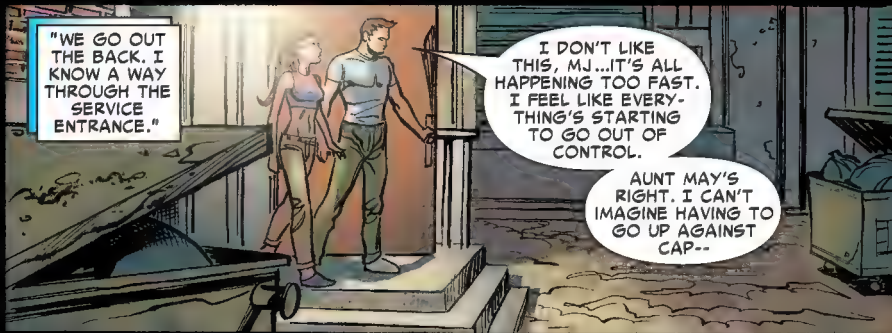
I SHOULD HAVE BEEN CLEARER... DO YOU INTEND TO ARREST THEM YOURSELF, OR HAVE OTHERS SIGNED ON TO HELP OUT?

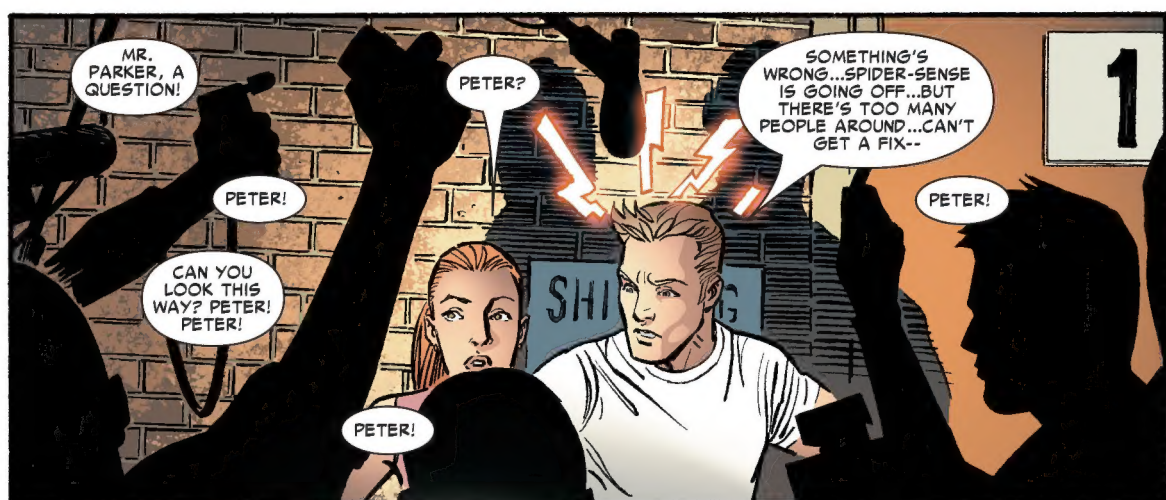
WE'RE ADDING MORE NAMES EVERY HOUR, AS HEROES DO THE RIGHT THING AND SIGN UP...BUT INITIALLY, YES, WE DO HAVE A STRIKE TEAM CONSISTING OF REED RICHARDS, HANK PYM--



--AND SPIDER-MAN.

WHAT THE--?







CLICK!

Please
God--



--let
me be--



--fast
enough.

BOOM!

AAAAAGGH!



GET HIS
GUN! GET HIS
GUN!

PETER--

IT WAS THE ONLY
WAY TO STOP HIM...I
COULDN'T RISK THE BULLET
MISSING ME AND HITTING
SOMEONE ELSE.



I'LL SUE!
YOU BLEW UP
MY HAND! I'LL
SUE YOU!

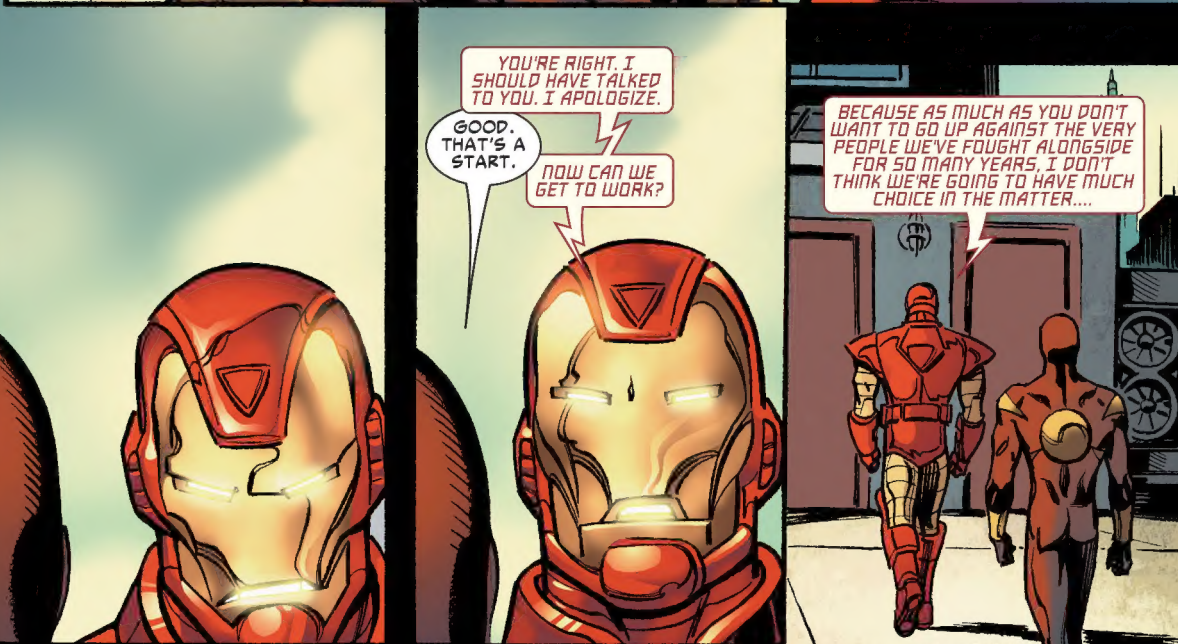
GET IN
LINE.

C'MON,
MJ...

"...I HAVE TO GET READY TO HAVE A LITTLE TALK WITH SOMEONE."

I HEARD ABOUT WHAT HAPPENED. IS MJ ALL RIGHT?

DANDY. IT'S BEEN A FIVE-STAR DAY, STARTING WITH YOU...AND ENDING WITH YOU.





...SO IT'S BEST I
INTRODUCE YOU TO
THE OTHERS YOU'LL
BE FIGHTING WITH
IN THIS WAR--

--BEFORE THE
DYING STARTS
TOMORROW.